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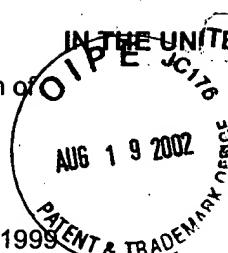
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AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action dated April 19, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE ABSTRACT

Please substitute the attached Abstract for that originally filed.

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IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 2, 4 and 6 without prejudice.

Please substitute the following amended claim(s) for corresponding claim(s) previously presented. A copy of the amended claim(s) showing current revisions is attached.

1. (Amended) A honeycomb structural body comprising a plurality of cells formed by providing partition walls composed mainly of cordierite, which has the